

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ALTERNATIVE RATE ADJUSTMENT FILING)
OF SOUTH HOPKINS WATER DISTRICT) CASE NO. 2015-00154

ORDER

On May 15, 2015, South Hopkins Water District ("South Hopkins") tendered its application for an adjustment of its water rates ("Application") pursuant to the procedures set forth in 807 KAR 5:076. South Hopkins's Application met the initial filing requirements on May 15, 2015.¹ Finding that a procedural schedule should be established to ensure the orderly review of South Hopkins's Application, the Commission HEREBY ORDERS that:

1. No later than August 14, 2015, Commission Staff shall file with the Commission and serve upon all parties of record a written report containing its findings and recommendations regarding South Hopkins's requested rate adjustment.

2. No later than August 28, 2015, or 14 days after the date of the filing of the Commission Staff Report, whichever occurs earlier, each party of record shall file with the Commission:

a. Its written comments on and any objections to the findings and recommendations contained in the Commission Staff Report;

¹ No action is necessary to suspend the effective date of South Hopkins's proposed rates for general water service. Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:076, Section 7(1), an applicant who applies for a rate adjustment pursuant to the procedures set forth in 807 KAR 5:076 may not place its proposed rates into effect until the Commission approves those rates or six months from the date the application is accepted for filing.

- b. Any additional evidence for the Commission to consider.
- c. Written notice as to whether this matter may be submitted for a

decision based upon the existing record without a hearing.

3. If Commission Staff finds that South Hopkins's financial condition supports a higher rate than South Hopkins proposes or the assessment of an additional rate or charge not proposed in South Hopkins's application, South Hopkins, in its responses to the Commission Staff Report, shall also state in writing its position on whether the Commission should authorize the assessment of the higher rate or recommend an additional rate or charge.

4. If Commission Staff recommends changes in the manner in which South Hopkins accounts for the depreciation of South Hopkins's assets, South Hopkins, in its response to the Commission Staff Report, shall also state in writing its position on whether the Commission should require South Hopkins to implement the proposed change for accounting purposes.

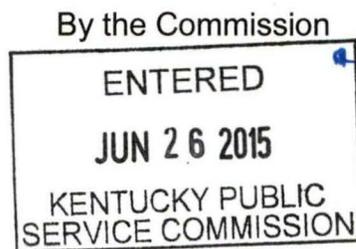
5. A party's failure to file written objections to a finding or recommendation contained in the Commission Staff Report by August 28, 2015, or 14 days after the date of the filing of the Commission Staff Report, whichever occurs earlier, shall be deemed an agreement with that finding or recommendation.

6. A party's failure to request a hearing or informal conference in the party's written response shall be deemed a waiver of all rights to a hearing on the application and a request that the case stand submitted for a decision.

7. A party's failure to file a written response by August 28, 2015, or 14 days after the date of the filing of the Commission Staff Report, whichever occurs earlier, shall be deemed a waiver of all rights to a hearing on the application.

8. Any motion to intervene shall be filed no later than June 25, 2015.

9. A person who submits a motion to intervene after June 25, 2015, and upon a showing of good cause is granted full intervention shall accept and abide by the existing procedural schedule.



ATTEST:


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